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SUBJECT: NAVY ANNOUNCES MORE POSTINGS FOR GOVERNORS

REF: LAGOS 8732, LAGOS 8878

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1. ACCORDING TO DAILY TIMES, JULY 20, NIGERIAN NAVY HAS ANNOUNCED
REDEPLOYMENT OF THREE GOVERNORS AS FOLLOWS:

BENDEL STATE: COMMODORE HUSAINI ABDULLAHI, FLAG OFFICER
COMMANDING, WESTERN NAVAL COMMAND

IMO STATE: COMMODORE ADEKUNLE LAWAL, CHIEF OF MATERIALS NAVAL
HEADQUARTERS (HEAD OF TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT OF NAVY)

LAGOS STATE: COMMAND NDUBUISI KANU, OPERATIONS OFFICER, FLOTILLA

2. AT THE SAME TIME THREE NAVAL OFFICERS WHO WERE RECENTLY
APPOINTED AS MILITARY ADMINISTRATORS HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE FOLLOWING
ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS EFFECTIVE JULY 24:
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CROSS RIVER STATE: CAPTAIN M A B ELEGBEDE TO BE NAVAL OFFICER
COMMANDING, EASTERN NAVAL COMMAND OF NIGERIAN NAVY WITH HEAD-
QUARTERS IN CALABAR.

LAGOS STATE: COMMANDER O E UKIWE TO BE COMMANDING OFFICER OF NNS
BEECROFT, A SHORE ESTABLISHMENT AT APAPA.

RIVERS STATE: COMMANDER SULEIMAN SAIDU TO BE COMMANDING OFFICER
OF NNS AKASO, A SHORE ESTABLISHMENT IN PORT HARCOURT. END
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3. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE REDEPLOYMENT OF NAVAL OFFICERS
HOLDING POLITICAL OFFICES LEAVES ONLY THE AIR FORCE YET TO BE
HEARD FROM. THE ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE THREE NAVAL STATE
ADMINISTRATORS APPEARS TO BE IN LINE WITH THE ARMY'S ANNOUNCEMENT
THAT ARMY ADMINISTRATORS WILL ALL HOLD BRIGADE OR GARRISON
COMMANDS AND RESIDE IN THEIR BARRACKS RATHER THAN IN THE
STATE HOUSES.

4. REPLACEMENTS FOR THOSE MILITARY OFFICERS REDEPLOYED FROM
FEDERAL MINISTRIES HAVE YET TO BE ANNOUNCED. UNCONFIRMED RUMORS
HAVE INDUSTRIES COMMISSIONER DR. R A ADELEYE REPLACING JOE GARBA
IN MEA. RUMORS PERSIST THAT SOME OF THE MINISTRIES WILL BE
COMBINED, THUS ALLEVIATING THE NEED TO COME UP WITH NEW CIVILIAN
APPOINTMENTS.

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